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SUBJECT: STORIES OF ANAND MARG CORRESPONDENCE WITH
FOREIGN DIPLOMATS IN KATHMANDU

REF: A. NEW DELHI 1905

B. KATHMANDU 4609

C. KATHMANDU 4247

D. STATE 229167

1. ON SEPTEMBER 10 A MR. DEEN PAL RAI CALLED AT THE EMBASSY TO REQUEST AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE AMBASSADOR TO DISCUSS "SOME MATTERS RELATING TO MY COUNTRY." HE SAID HE HAD BEEN TO THE BRITISH EMBASSY AND SPOKEN WITH "THE SECRETARY" BUT WAS TOLD THAT THE MATTER HE DISCUSSED WAS AN INTERNAL INDIAN AFFAIR. RAI WAS INFORMED BY AMBASSADOR'S SECRETARY THAT NO APPOINTMENT COULD BE ARRANGED.

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2. RAI LEFT TWO LETTERS AT EMBASSY FOR DELIVERY TO AMBASSADOR. TEXTS, BRIEFLY SUMMARIZED IN KATHMANDU 4247, WERE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY DELHI ON SEPTEMBER 12 AND 26. PER REF A REQUEST, TEXT OF LETTERS BEING SENT TELEGRAPHICALLY TO DELHI AND INFO TO DEPARTMENT BY SEPTTEL.

3. NO WRITTEN RESPONSE WAS MADE TO EITHER LETTER.

4. RAI WAS INFORMED SEPTEMBER 19 THAT AMBASSADOR WOULD NOT RECEIVE HIM BUT THAT ANY CONSULAR QUESTIONS COULD BE DISCUSSED WITH CONSULAR OFFICER. ON SEPTEMBER 23 RAI MET WITH CONSULAR OFFICER TO REQUEST POLITICAL ASYLUM IN THE UNITED STATES ON THE GROUNDS THAT HE WAS SUBJECT TO ARREST UPON RETURN TO INDIA. RAI SAID THAT HAVING ENTERED NEPAL ILLEGALLY HE WAS AFRAID GON AUTHORITIES WOULD SEND HIM BACK TO INDIA.

5. THE MATTER WAS REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT WHICH IN TURN RECOMMENDED RAI BE INFORMED THAT "THERE ARE NO GROUNDS FOR OUR GRANTING HIM ASYLUM" (REF D). CONSULAR OFFICER DID SO AND, AS SUGGESTED BY DEPARTMENT, REFERRED SUBJECT TO UN REPRESENTATIVE IN NEPAL WHO, WE UNDERSTAND, GAVE RAI ADDRESS OF UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE IN BANGKOK (KATHMANDU 4354). RAI TOLD CONSULAR OFFICER THAT HE HAD INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO REMAIN IN NEPAL AND THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO RETURN TO INDIA WITHIN ONE WEEK. RAI MET ONLY WITH CONSULAR OFFICER AND AT NO TIME DID SUBSTANTIVE OFFICERS OF EMBASSY MEET WITH HIM. CONSULAR OFFICER HANDLED CASE STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LINES AGREED UPON BY DEPARTMENT FOR DEALING WITH CONTACTS BY INDIAN POLITICAL REFUGEES AT PRESENT IN NEPAL AS CONTAINED IN STATE 199317. KATHMANDU 3716 AND 3725. CONSULAR OFFICER DID NOT ENCOURAGE HIS INITIAL REQUEST FOR ASYLUM AND SAID HE COULD NOT DISCUSS SUBSTANCE OF RAI'S COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE GOI.

6. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO INFORMATION AS TO WHO THE "ASIAN DIPLOMAT" MAY BE WHO RECEIVED A THIRD LETTER FROM RAI, WE BELIEVE EITHER THE EMBASSY OF PAKISTAN OR CHINA COULD HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY HIM DURING HIS STAY IN KATHMANDU.

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7. WE WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER INFORMATION IN THE CASE AS IT DEVELOPS.
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